

**EXPIRATION OF TERM OF INCUMBENT BANKRUPTCY
ADMINISTRATOR - MIDDLE DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA**

The current term of the United States Bankruptcy Administrator in the Middle District of North Carolina, Michael D. West, expires on December 7, 2002. The United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit is authorized under Regulations of the Judicial Conference of the United States Governing the Selection and Appointment of Bankruptcy Administrators to establish a Review Committee to consider whether the current Bankruptcy Administrator should be reappointed. Mr. West has expressed interest in being reappointed to this position for an additional five-year term. In keeping with the Consolidated Equal Employment Opportunity and Employment Dispute Resolution Plan and policy of the court, however, any person may apply for and be considered for this position.

The Bankruptcy Administrator is responsible for supervising trustees and debtors in possession and assuring that such persons effectively administer estates in cases in the district under Section 1334 of Title 28, United States Code.

Members of the bar and concerned citizens are invited to comment on whether the incumbent Bankruptcy Administrator should be recommended by the Committee for reappointment. Written comments may be sent in confidence to Samuel W. Phillips, Circuit Executive, Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals, 1100 East Main Street, Suite 617, Richmond, Virginia 23219-3517.

Other persons who desire to be considered for the position may file a letter of application and resume with the Circuit Executive, which must be submitted to him at the above address no later than August 23, 2002.